

## **What is a Unit Equipping and Reuse Conference?**

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FORT BRAGG, N.C. (April 28, 1012) – The Unit Equipping and Reuse Conference is the new name for FORSCOM G-4's previously executed Combined Equipping Conference, and it serves the same function: to assist units in the re-equipping portion of the RESET process.

The name change was to align the naming convention with the Army Equipping and Reuse Conference (AERC). The AERC is the instrument that semi-annually synchronizes modular designs and other processes involved in equipping the Army. The UERC breaks this process down at the unit level.

Combined Equipping Conferences (CEC) replaced and combined two conferences: the Army Materiel Command (AMC) Army Force Generation (ARFORGEN) Synchronization Conference (ASC), executed for redeploying units at R+45, and the Department of Army G8/FORSCOM G4 Equipment Synchronization Conference (ESC), hosted for redeploying units at R+90.

Before CECs were instituted, brigade combat team commanders and key staff members had to travel from their home station to the Pentagon in order to attend the ESC 45 days after the execution of the ASC.

Unit Equipping and Reuse Conferences serve the same purpose and have the same goals as previously conducted CECs. They will bring all the required organizations together at one time to assist units through the re-equipping portion of the RESET process as well as synchronize New Equipment Training (NET) and New Equipment Fielding (NEF) with the unit Long Range Training Calendar (LRTC).

The FORSCOM G-4 will continue to host UERCs, with AMC support, for brigade combat teams, combat aviation brigades, and battlefield surveillance brigades. These conferences will take place at approximately R+60 for two to three days at the unit's home station.

All other brigade, division, and corps headquarters will receive an equipment conference. The FORSCOM G-4 will determine the type of conference in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement signed June 18, 2011 by FORSCOM, AMC, and Headquarters, Department of the Army G-8.

Unit Equipping and Reuse Conferences will continue to address 100 percent of the unit's Modified Table of Organization and Equipment with the goal of synchronizing the unit's LRTC with NET/NEF. Additional goals are getting the unit to have approximately 70 percent equipment on hand (Unit Status Report S3 level) within 180 days of

redeploying and approximately 80 percent equipment on hand (USR S2 level) within 365 days.

Other key participants are Army Sustainment Command (ASC), which is the executive agent for execution of AMC functions; Army field sustainment brigades; Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology ASA (ALT); Program Executive Office for Command, Control, Communications and Tactical [PEO (C3T)]; Program Executive Office for Intelligence, Electronic Warfare & Sensors [PEO (IEWS)]; senior mission commanders, and other installation organizations.

The UERC calendar has been updated and these conferences are scheduled through October 2013.